



THE PINES

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THE BETA CLUB
Pleasant Gardens School

CO-EDITORS-IN-CHIEF
Barbara Meredith
and
Joan Rabb





Foreword

FOREWORD

In the years that are to come when the memories of our high school days have become dim may this book, wherein we have endeavored to imprison the spirit of our Alma Mater, revive in our hearts once more her ideals and bind all together in a common love and loyalty to her.



DEDICATION

Mr. And Mrs. Colon Wright

In Appreciation

To you, because of your loyal devotion to Pleasant Gardens School, your kindness and understanding... because your outstanding interest and work in extra-curricular activities have benefited us, your students, and brought recognition to our school, we respectfully dedicate this, our 1953 edition of "The Pines."

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PRINCIPAL

Mr Robert Lee Wiggins



Members of the Graduating Class,
Let me leave with you my thoughts,
but in the words of Carolyn Davies:

"To toil and to be kind
These are the chores I find.

To work and be gay--
This rule for every day.

To take life unafraid--
This task on me is laid;

On YOU too. Let us, then,
Do our task well. Amen."

FACULTY



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Piano



Mr. G.B. Dixon
Agriculture



Mr. G.R. Hubbard
Physics



Mrs. Florence Hughes
French-English



Mrs. Ned McGimsey
Home Economics-Biology



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Commercial



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Librarian-Math



Mrs. C.W. Whitson
Music

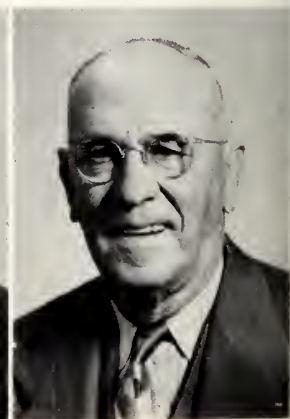
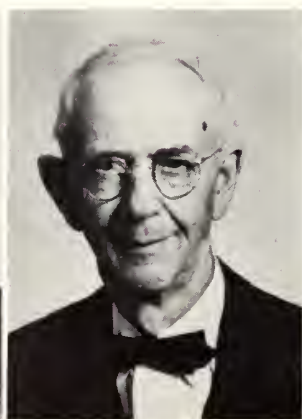


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Economics-History



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 Vice President.....Paul Brooks
 Secretary.....Margaret Glenn
 Treasurer.....Frances Silver
 Reporter.....Joan Rabb
 Social Chairman,Eunice Burnette

SENIORS

SENIOR ADVISOR



Mrs. Ned McGimsey

CLASS MOTTO
It is not the gale;
But the set of the sail;
That determines the way we go.

CLASS SONG
Stardust

MASCOTS

Howard Bradburn And Susie McNeal



CLASS COLORS
Mint Green And
Daffodil Yellow

CLASS FLOWER
Yellow Carnation

SENIORS



MARY HELEN BALLEW
 "There's Gonna Be A Great Day"
 Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Beta Club Vice-President 4; Secretarial Practice Club 4; Secretarial Practice Club Social Chairman 4; Future Homemakers Club 4; Home Economics 1, 2, 4; 4-H Club 1.



CAROLYN BLACKWELL
 "You're A Little Doll"
 Christmas Parade 2, 3, 4; Folk Dance Team 3; Banquet Waitress 2; Secretarial Practice Club 4; Secretarial Practice Club Reporter 4; Home Ec. 1, 2, 4; Future Homemakers Club 4; Glee Club 1; Class Baby 4; Typing Medal 3.



CARROLL BLACKWELL
 "Gee, I Wish I Had A Gal"
 F.F.A. 1, 2; Softball 1, 2; Field Day 1, 2, 3; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Biggest Mouth 4; Best Personality 4.



PAUL BROOKS
 "I'll Always Take Care Of You"
 Livestock Judging 1, 2, 3, 4; Field Day 1, 2, 3; Parliamentary Procedure 2; Seed Judging 3, 4; Softball Team 3, 4; F.F.A. President 3; F.F.A. Vice-President 4; Marshall 3; Class President 3; Class Vice President 4; Key Club President 4; Key Club 3, 4; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Basketball 3, 4; Best All Round 4; Most Athletic 4; Most Talented 4.

SENIORS



EUNICE BURNETTE
"Lady Of Spain" #

Basketball 1; Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Class Secretary 1; Class Vice-President 2; Home Ec. 1, 2; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Best Looking 4; Majorette 4; Banquet Entertainer 1, 2, 3; Dress Making Honorable Mention 2; Glee Club Vice-President 4; Social Chairman 4.



ROY DEAN COMER
"Hot Rod Race No. 2" #

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. Treasurer 2; Poultry Judging Team 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1, Class Vice President 3; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Wittiest 4; Best Dressed 4; Most Popular 4.



GENE DAVIS
"Has Anybody Seen My Gal?" #

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 2, 3, 4; Livestock Judging Team 2, 3; Seed Judging Team 2, 3; Tool Judging Team 2, 3; Key Club 3, 4.



TRILBY DAVIS
"Because Of You" #

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Home Ec. 1, 2; 4-H Club 1; Banquet Waitress 2; Class Social Chairman 3; French Club Treasurer 4; Secretarial Practice Club 4; Friendliest 4; Folk Dance Team 3, 4.

SENIORS



ROBY GIBBS
"Oh, But I Do"
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Quietest 4.



MARGARET GLENN
"Going Steady"
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Dressmaking Honorable Men-
tion 1; Dressmaking First Prize 2; Banquet Wait-
ress 2; Class Reporter 2; Class Treasurer 3;
Marshall 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Secretarial Practice
Club 4; French Club 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Class
Historian 4; Most Popular 4; Typing Medal 3.



GALE HILTON
"Slow Poke"
Home Ec. 1, 2; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4;
Quietest 4; Most Studious 4; Secretarial Club 4.



BETTY JEAN HOLLIFIELD
"Cold Cold Heart"
Home Ec. 1, 2, 4; French Club Reporter 4; Ban-
quet Waitress 2; 4-H Club 1.

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LOUISE LAVENDER
"Lavender Blue"
Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Secretarial Practice Club 4;
4-H Club 1.
Home Ec. 1; 4-H Club 1.



PATRICIA MARTIN
"On Top Of Old Smokey"
Marion High School 1, 2; Allied Youth 2; Future
Homemakers Of America Club 1, 3, 4; Glee Club
Treasurer 1; Dramatics Club President 2; Home-
room Vice-President 2; Beta Club Social Chair-
man 3; Beta Club Secretary 4; Annual Staff 3, 4;
Basketball Manager 3; Secretarial Practice Club
4; French Club Vice-President 4; Folk Dance Team
3, 4; Banquet Waitress 2; Banquet Entertainer 2;
Class Testator 4; Most Talented 4; Cheerleader 4.



DONNIE McKINNEY
"Doin' What Comes Naturally"
Home Ec. 1, 2; Secretarial Practice Club 4; Most
Courteous 4.

*So one of the
sweetest teachers
I have ever had.
"Ellen"*



ELLEN McPETERS
"Wish You Were Here"
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball Captain 4; Field
Day 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2; Home Ec. 1, 2, 4; 4-H
Club 1; Banquet Waitress 2; Secretarial Practice
Club 4; Most Athletic 4; Class Testator 4; Beta
Club 4; Annual Staff 4.

SENIORS



*"Remember me"
Barbara*

BARBARA MEREDITH
Turn Back The Hands Of Time
4-H Club 1; Home Ec. 1, 2, 4; Banquet Waitress 2;
Marshall 3; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Class
Historian 4; French Club Social Chairman 4;



FRANK MILLS
F.F.A. 1, 2, 3; "Making Believe"
Bus Driver 4; Bookkeeping Medal 3; Marshall 3;
4; Most Studios 4; Most Likely To Succeed



ROBERT MORGAN
"Loveliest Night Of The Year"
Class President 4; Key Club 4; F.F.A. 1; French
Club 4; Bus Driver 4; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Mar-
shall 3; Volley Ball Team 1; French Club Pro-
gram Chairman 4; Biggest Flirt 4; Most Courteous
4; Flat Rock High School 1; Marion High School 2.



BETTY PATTON
"Trying"
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball Team 1; 4-H Club 1;
Home Ec. 1, 2; Banquet Waitress 2; Folk Dance
Team 3, 4; Cheerleader 4; Best Personality 4.

SENIORS

*Love you heaps
Hazel*



HAZEL POTEAT
"Dear Old Girl"
Home Ec. 1, 2; Secretarial Practice Club 4.



BOBBY QUEEN
"That Heart Belongs To Me"
Marion High School 1; Franklin High School 3;
Science Club 3; Basketball 3, 4; Friendliest 4.



JOAN RABB
"Love Somebody"
Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Secretary of
Beta Club 3; Vice-President of Secretarial Prac-
tice Club 4; French Club Secretary 4; Folk Dance
Team 3, 4; Annual Staff 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4; Maid
of Honor at Valdese Tournament 3; Dress-making,
Second Prize 1, 2; Typing Medal 3; Shorthand Me-
dal 3; Class Prophet 4; Best All Round 4; Co-Editor
Of Annual 4.



BETTY JEAN REEL
"That's My Gal"
Home Ec. 1, 2, 4.

Betty Jean

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BETTY LOU REEPS
 "My Foolish Heart"
 Beta Club President 4; Beta Club 3, 4; Annual Staff 4; Home Ec. 1, 2, 4; Waitress 2; 4-H Club 1; First Honorable Mention in Home Ec. 2; French Club 4.



JUNE SHUFFORD
 "Keep It A Secret"
 Glee Club 1, 2, 4; Basketball 1; Home Ec. 1, 2; 4-H Club 1; Banquet Waitress 2; Secretarial Practice 4; Best Dressed 4.



FRANCES SILVER
 "You Belong To Me"
 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2; 4-H Club 1; Home Ec. Honorable Mention 1, 2; Class Secretary 2, 3; Banquet Entertainer 1, 2; Beta Club Treasurer 3, 4; Annual Staff 3, 4; Folk Dance Team 3, 4; Marshall 3; Class Treasurer 4; Secretarial Practice Club President 4; French Club Program Chairman 4; Most Likely To Succeed 4; Cutest 4; Class Poet 4.



HORACE SMITH
 "Horace The Horse"
 F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Seed Judging Team 2, 3; Poultry Judging Team 2, 3, 4; Dairy Judging Team 2, 3; F.F.A. Vice-President 3; F.F.A. Treasurer 4; Livestock Judging Team 4; Key Club 3, 4; Class Baby 4.

SENIORS



BARBARA WISEMAN
 "Come What May"
 Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1;
 Field Day 1, 2, 3; Home Ec. 1, 2; Banquet Waitress
 2; French Club President 4; Secretarial Club
 Treasurer 4; Class Prophet 4; Wittiest 4; Biggest
 Flirt 4.



WEYMA WOODY
 "I'll Walk Alone"
 Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H Club 1; Home Ec. 1, 2, 4;
 Biggest Mouth 4.

CLASS POEM

There's a school named Pleasant Gardens, or P. G. otherwise;
 But what're the name in the total sum, she's all that the name implies.

P is for pupils and parents, who are so closely entwined.
 L is for loyal devotion, which always at P. G. you find.
 E is for earnest endeavor, let no one it of us rob.
 A is ardent ambition, we use to accomplish each job.
 S is for studies of all kinds, which are studied in every school.
 A is for athletic and all stars--we have them as a rule.
 N is for neighboring schoolmates, with whom we like to compete.
 T is for teachers and twelve years it took, our education to complete.

G is for the grades we have achieved, and grit which has made us strong.
 A is for always American, which bids us right each wrong.
 R is the three R's we've mastered, and recreation which was such joy.
 D is for days of Dedication, and the devotion from each girl and boy.
 E is the experience of education, in which we learn to work, share and live.
 N is the never-ending pleasures, our experience in school shall give.
 S is the sum total of our days at P. G. Hi, and success and semi-ending
 as Seniors bid good-by.

Class Poet
 Frances Silver

Roby Gibbs
And
Gale Hilton

Margaret Glenn
And
Roy Dean Comer

Carolyn Blackwell
And
Horace Smith



Trilby Davis
And
Bobby Queen

Gene Davis
And
Eunice Burnette



SUPERLA



Carroll Blackwell
And
Betty Patton

Weyma Woody
And
Carroll Blackwell



Ellen

Ellen McPeters
And
Paul Brooks



Most Athletic

Patricia Martin
And
Paul Brooks



Most Talented

Barbara Wiseman
And
Bobby Morgan



Most Flirtatious

ATIVES



Most Likely to Succeed

Frank Mills
And
Frances Silver



Best Dressed

Roy Dean Comer
And
June Shufford



Best All-Round

Paul Brooks
And
Joan Rabb

CLASS HISTORY

The fall of 1940 marked the beginning of a new chapter in our lives, as we, the present Seniors, began our first school year. W. A. Young was our principal. After Miss Wall and Miss Hicks had taught us a few lessons in arithmetic and ABC's; we advanced to the second grade, and were joined by Trilby Davis and Hazel Poteat. Here we learned more difficult problems in arithmetic, and how to read and write. Our third year marked the arrival of Donnie McKinney and Paul Brooks.

In our first year of grammar school, the fourth grade, we were faced with geography, which then seemed to us a most monotonous subject. In our fifth year, we were greeted by Louise Lavender and a new principal, Mr. N. F. Shearouse, who replaced Mr. W. A. Young. We were then promoted to the sixth grade where we occupied our minds with long tedious assignments of history. Barbara Meredith and Betty Reeps were added to our enrollment during this year. In the seventh grade we gained another member, Joan Rabb. This year marked the beginning of rapid growth and much improvement for our school under the principalship of Mr. R. L. Wiggins, who came to us in this year. The last year of grammar school was spent in preparing our minds for the high school years which were just ahead.

Here it was! The fall of 1948 and as we present day Seniors made our grand entrance into our place as Freshmen at Pleasant Gardens High School, we as lower-classmen were fascinated by the superiority of the Seniors. As was the custom, Initiation Day marked our formal introduction into this institute of higher learning. Mrs. Wiggins was our homeroom teacher.

The fifty-four members of our class elected as officers: President, Shirley Henline; Vice-President, Carolyn Blackwell; Secretary, Eunice Burnette; Treasurer, Rowena Grindstaff.

Tough algebra problems and our debating history Class climaxed our Sophomore Year. Miss Conley was our homeroom teacher and our officers for this year were: President, Joan Rabb; Vice-President, Eunice Burnette; Secretary, Frances Silver; Treasurer, Rex Pope; Reporter, Margaret Glenn.

At last we were Juniors and here we spent a hilarious time preparing for our first Junior-Senior Banquet, which required much hard work and co-operation from the entire class. Patricia Martin and Bob Morgan joined us here. We elected as our officers: President, Paul Brooks; Vice-President, Roy Dean Comer; Secretary, Frances Silver; Treasurer, Margaret Glenn; Reporter, Trilby Davis. Our homeroom teacher this year was Mrs. Rowe.

As the fall of '52 marked the beginning of another school year, we stepped into our places as Seniors, the long awaited for position as upper-classmen. It was at the first of this year that we fully realized that a very important chapter of our lives was being brought to a grand climax and that we were standing upon the threshold of another chapter. It is for the approaching step out into the world that we are now preparing ourselves. We have caught a glimpse of the task that lies before us in trying to make a place for ourselves in the world and are working toward the goal of perfecting ourselves for this task.

We gained Bobby Queen this year. During the past four years we have lost many of our fellow class members but have gained some who have helped our class in many ways.

At this time we Seniors are looking forward to practicing for the Senior Play and anticipating the many events which accompany Graduation.



CLASS PROPHECY

After graduating in May, 1953, six of us formed the McPeters All-Star Basketball Team; and, since that time, we have become world famous. The other members of our team are Trilby Davis, June Shufford, Frances Silver, and, of course, our Captain, Ellen McPeters and our manager, Margaret Glenn.

Several months ago, we received an invitation to play the South American Champions in New York City.

Within a few days we were looking down at the treetops and houses below. And who do you think our pilot was? Bob Morgan. The very efficient stewardess was our old friend, Betty Jean Reel.

Our first stop was La Guardia Field. As we stepped from the plane, whom should we see but Eunice Burnette on her way to Europe to give a command performance for the King and Queen. She has become a famous television star.

We called a taxi and can you imagine our surprise when Horace Smith came skidding to a stop before us? He told us of another classmate Pat Martin, who is happily married to a famous lawyer, and is making quite a name for herself as a fashion model.

When we arrived at our hotel, the Waldorf-Astoria, Frank Mills was diligently scrubbing the plate glass windows in front. Now, don't get the idea he's a window washer--he's the manager of the hotel, just out getting his daily exercise.

While we were in New York, we decided to go to the Opera. The very talented soprano, Betty Patton, was singing in the role of Carmen.

The next night we went to Madison Square Gardens to watch the wrestling matches. "Gorgeous Gale Hilton" was in the main event, and she displayed an amazing amount of strength in defeating her 300 pound opponent. The referee was Carrol Blackwell.

The next morning when we were through eating breakfast, we bought a copy of the New York Times and found that it was edited by Roby Gibbs. Dominating the front page was a picture of the newly crowned Miss America, Betty Lou Reeps. She had just signed a contract with MGM.

Our team decided to take in a movie at the Plaza. We were surprised to find that Bobby Queen was the owner of this large theatre. After talking to him, we went into the movie and there was Carolyn Blackwell playing in a love scene opposite Gene Davis, the new Hollywood Sensation.

During an especially exciting scene, a lady sitting directly in front of us fainted, and we called the theatre's private nurse. When she spoke we immediately recognized her voice as being that of Betty Jean Hollifield. In no time at all the lady was revived by Betty Jean.

After winning our game in New York, we received a telegram from the French All-Stars, inviting us to play them in Paris.

As we were boarding a beautiful passenger ship, "The Queen Mary," Paul Brooks, the All-American Baseball Player, who was just returning from a tour of the world, was getting off the ship.

After several days on the ocean, we arrived at an English port.

Since we were to be in Europe for a few weeks before our scheduled game, we visited some of the historic spots. While on a tour through Oxford University, we saw Mary Helen Ballew who was continuing there her study of English Literature.

The University of Paris was our next stop. There was Barbara Meredith still studying the French Language. She is going to teach foreign language at Wellesley.

We won our game with the French All-Stars, then we came back to the U.S.A.

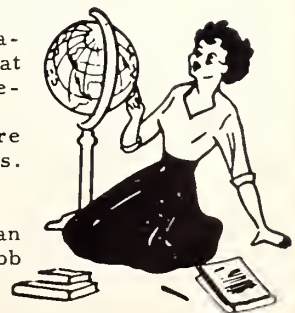
On our way to our home state, we passed through Nashville, Tennessee. We found that Weyma Woody had taken Minnie Pearl's place on the Grand Old Opera.

Upon our arrival in North Carolina, we discovered that Roy Dean Comer had made quite a name for himself in the State Hospital for the Insane. Oh, don't get us wrong, he's a psychiatrist. His very capable secretary is Donnie McKinney.

When we got to Pleasant Gardens, we decided to visit our Alma Mater. A new elementary school building had been built and Hazel Poteat was the Principal. The first great change she made was a complete destruction of all rules and regulations.

After comparing our class with all the others, we find that we are the most outstanding class ever to graduate from Pleasant Gardens. Each member has made his mark in the world, be it good or bad.

Barbara Wiseman
Joan Rabb



LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT

- PREAMBLE: We, the members of the graduating class of '53 of P. G. H. S. --being in good bodily health and of sound and disposing mind and memory, realizing now that our sojourn here in this memorable school must soon come to an end--do make and declare this our last will and testament.
- SECTION I: As a token of our gratitude and loyalty, we give and bequeath to our school the continuation of our good will and undying love, and pledge to her our unwavering support in her efforts to enlighten and uplift those who may follow in our footsteps.
- SECTION II: To Mr. Wiggins and the faculty, we leave our humble gratitude and admiration for the guidance and inspiration you have given us for the past years.
- SECTION III: To Mrs. McGimsey, we leave our appreciation for the kind of companionship she has given us during our high school days.
- SECTION IV: I, Mary Helen Ballew, leave my happy smile to Juanita Silvers.
- SECTION V: I, Carroll Blackwell, leave my very pleasing personality to Paul Foxx.
- SECTION VI: I, Carolyn Blackwell, leave my blond curls and Angelic ways to Nell Burnette.
- SECTION VII: I, Paul Brooks, leave my position on the Folk Dance Team to anyone who loves it as much as I do.
- SECTION VIII: I, Eunice Burnette, leave my talent for Hawaiian Dancing to anyone who has what I have.
- SECTION IX: I, Roy Dean Comer, leave my flirtatious and crazy ways to Albert Foxx.
- SECTION X: I, Gene Davis, leave my good looks to Glenn Morgan. Get busy Glenn.
- SECTION XI: I, Trilby Davis, leave my sweet personality and friendliness to Betty Jane Wood. Keep them in shape, Betty.
- SECTION XII: I, Roby Gibbs, leave with the satisfaction that I am the only Senior to hold up our so-called title "Dignified Seniors."
- SECTION XIII: I, Margaret Glenn, leave my ability to get along with teachers to Shelby Jean Harrison.
- SECTION XIV: I, Gale Hilton, leave my late hours of study to Tommy Poole.
- SECTION XV: I, Louise Lavender, leave some happy days that will never be found again.
- SECTION XVI: I, Patricia Martin, leave French Class forever.
- SECTION XVII: I, Donnie McKinney, leave my love for motorcycles to Barbara Shufford.
- SECTION XVIII: I, Ellen McPeters, leave my title as "Basketball Captain" to anyone who will work as hard as I have.
- SECTION XIX: I, Frank Mills, leave my quiet disposition to James Freeman.
- SECTION XX: I, Betty Patton, leave my rhythm for any kind of music to Mary Edwards.
- SECTION XXI: I, Bob Morgan, leave my love and ability to talk Aeronautics to Bill Hendley.
- SECTION XXII: I, Hazel Poteat leave my quiet ways to Rena Shufford.
- SECTION XXIII: I, Bobby Queen, leave my ability to provoke teachers to Bruce McNeill.
- SECTION XXIV: I, Joan Rabb, leave my love for college boys to Shirley Queen.
- SECTION XXV: I, Betty Jean Reel, leave my ability to pop and sell popcorn to Norma Jean Ellis.
- SECTION XXVI: We, Betty Lou Reeps, Barbara Meredith, and Betty Jean Hollifield leave our lasting and devoted friendship to anyone who is able to get along as we have.
- SECTION XXVII: I, June Shufford, leave my love for "Green Fords" to absolutely no one.
- SECTION XXVIII: I, Frances Silvers, leave my babyish ways to "Flossie" McKinnis.
- SECTION XXIX: I, Horace Smith, leave my boring school days to Bill Bell.
- SECTION XXX: I, Barbara Wiseman, leave my cute but naughty ways to "Goofy" McHone.
- SECTION XXXI: I, Weyma Woody, leave my pleasing voice to Anna Lee McKinney.



OFFICERS

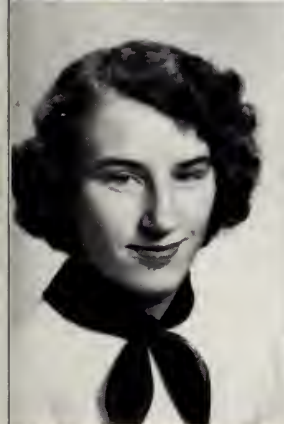
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Social Chairman..Bruce McNeill

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Bill Bell
Carl Biddix
Donald Burgin



Betty Byrd
Mary Elizabeth Edwards
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Albert Foxx
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James Freeman



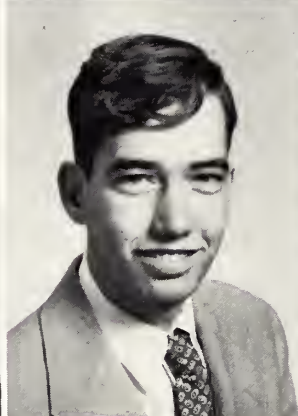
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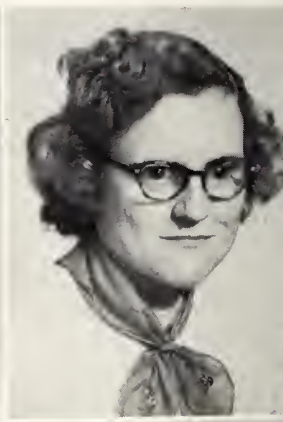


Florence Ann McKinnis
Bruce McNeill
Betty Jean McHone



Charles McMahan
Tommy Poole
Shirley Queen

Barbara Shufford
Rena Shufford
Juanita Silver



Marlene Young
Betty Jane Wood
Anna Lee Woody





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 Reporter.....Tommy Hendley

SOPHOMORES

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eggy Burgin	Nell Burnette	Wayne Brooks	Inez Byrd	Roger Byrd	Tommy Byrd
ail Colvard	Ina Conner	Rose Marie Dover	J. C. Duncan	Joe Fleming	Guy Godfrey
ruce Guy	John D. Hawkins	Tommy Hendley	Billy Huskins	Tommy Hyatt	Jeanette Jameson
elen Kaylor	Betty Kelley	Arnold Kelly	Delores Lavender	Robert Lee Loftis	Olin Long



SOPHOMORES



Anna L. McKinney	Patsy McKinney	Rilla Ann McKinney	Oleta McMahan	Kay McNeill	Hazel Mason
C. N. Mease	Jimmy Mills	Glenn Morgan	Mary Noblitt	Danny Padgett	Venia Poteat
Jane Queen	Nell Queen	Buddy Robinson	Bill Shufford	Pauline Suttles	Rachel Strader
Louise Throneburg	Claude Vess	Wanda Wilson	Carolyn Withrow		Louise Young





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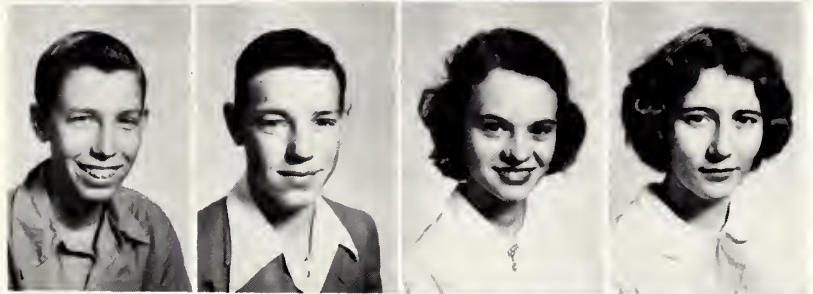
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FRESHMEN

Vaughtie Boone
Betty Jean Bost
Freddie Burnette
Jack Buckner



Ralph Buckner
Donald Byrd
Mae Callahan
Ethel Church



Mildred Davis
Linda Duncan
Peggy Duncan
Terry Duncan



Norma Jean Elliot
Nancy Finley
Jimmy Foxx
Mickey Foxx



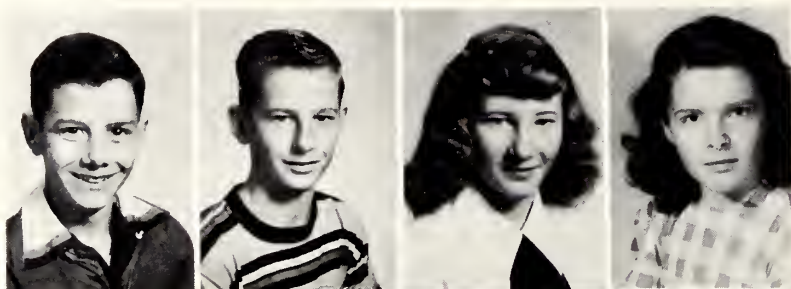
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Rebecca Hollifield



Nancy Henline
Roverna Hudgins



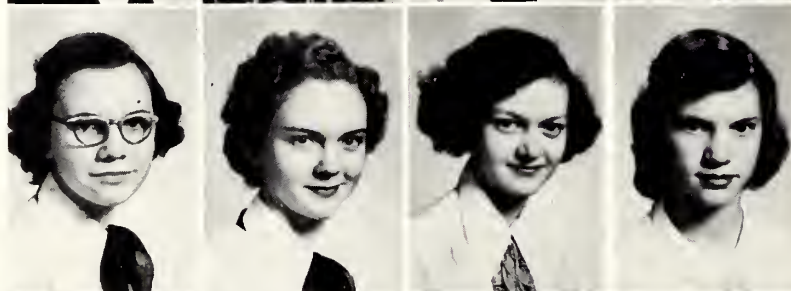
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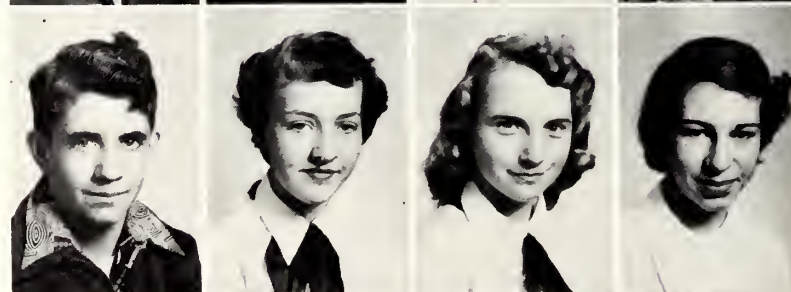
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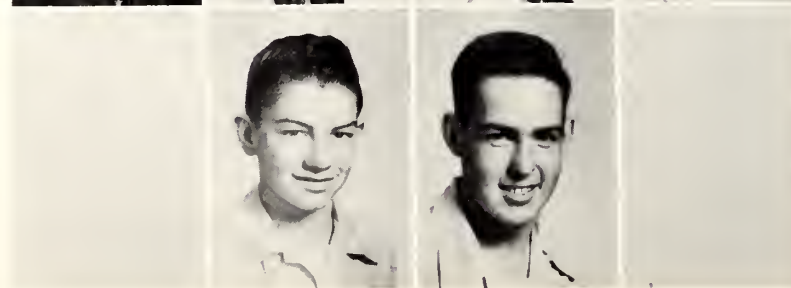
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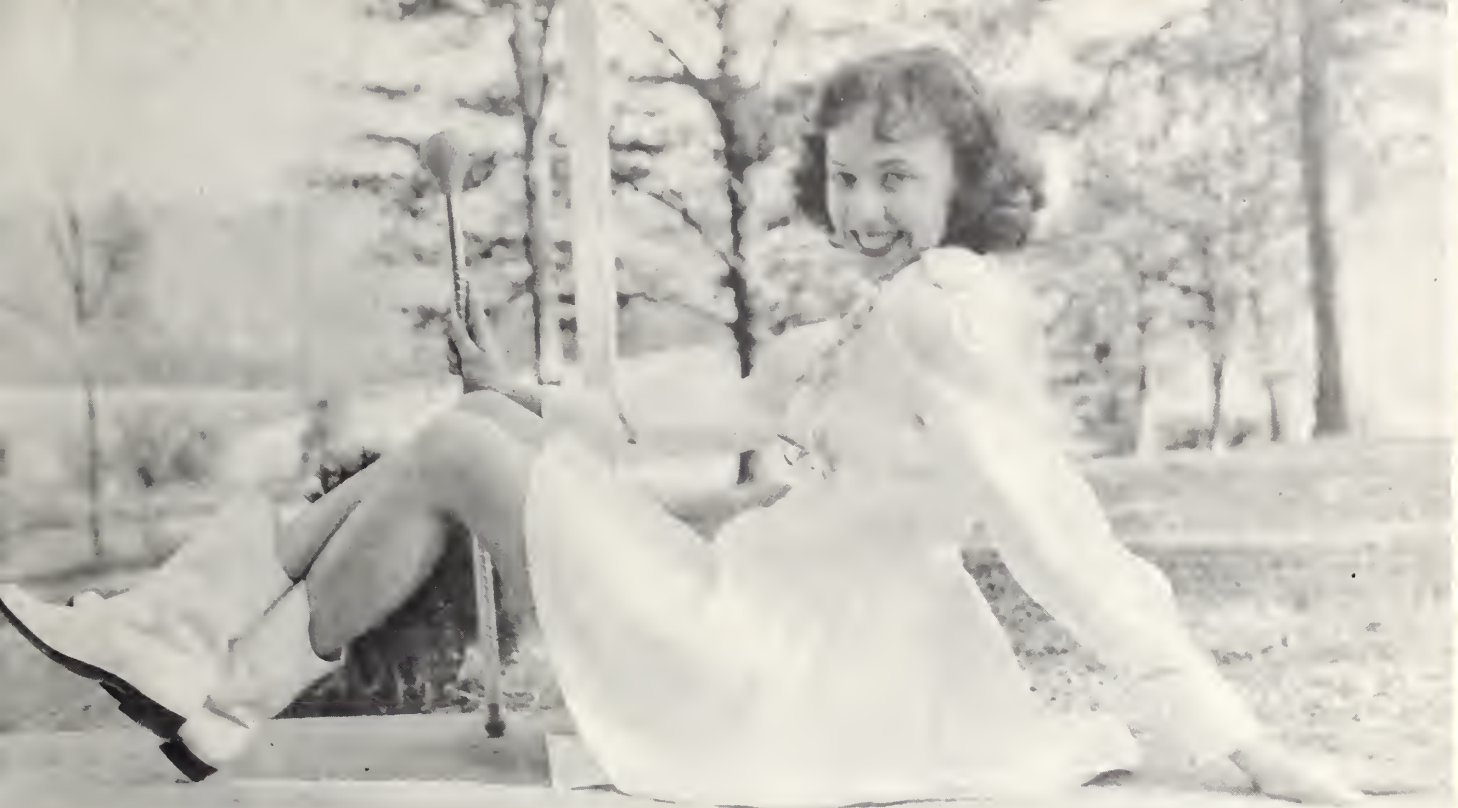
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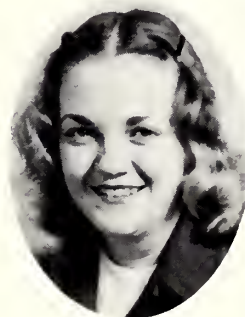






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Pleasant Gardens	60	Salem	46

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Glenwood, PG Teams Open Cage Season

Pleasant Gardens Takes Doubleheader In Finals Games

The 1955 basketball season in McDowell got underway Monday night at Pleasant Gardens as host teams took off with a doubleheader victory outclassed scrappy teams from Glenwood High School.

The Pleasant Gardens boys opened fast to pile 65 to 9 decisions over the inexperienced Glenwood while the Pleasant Gardens girls had things their way in an 81-31 romp over the Glenwood sextet.

Coach Colon Williams' boys weren't expected to show so much scoring power in the opening contest. All five of the starting members of last year's team which went to the State Class A finals before losing a close decision to the Welcome club have graduated, and this year's outfit had been built around several of last year's reserves and a group of newcomers.

Race Start

The Pleasant Gardens boys looked anything but experienced as they got off to a slow start and piled up 18 to 9 before what had had a lead by 18 to 1 duty during the last half of the game.

Guy, who were the Gardens' center, led through the game.

The Pleasant Gardens girls also opened fast to pile 46 to 15 halftime and coasted in for their McKinnis-led winners' attack with Flossie Ellen McPeters leading with 18.

High for the Gardens' girls was Hall with 13.

Girls' Lineup:

Pleasant Gardens 31 Glenwood

F-McKinnis 26 16 Hall-F

F-Wyke 13 Williams-F

F-McPeters 18 13 Kaylor-F

G-Rabb Eplee-F

G-Davis Morgan-G

G-McHone Brookshire-G

Gardens: Mercer 10, Byrd,

Pleasant Gardens Lopes To Easy Win Over Salem

The Pleasant Gardens basketball aggregation loped to a double victory over Salem High School Tuesday night to prove that their easy win over Drexel was no fluke. The boys sailed to a 76-4 triumph.

Billy Bell turned in 13 points during the evening with substitute Foxx following close behind with 12 points. Bruce Guy also contributed to the victory with 10 points. B. was man for Salem.

Ellen McPeters was the Gardens' leading scorer with 18 points for the team.

Queen, Thornburg, and Westmoreland.

Halftime score: Pleasant Gardens 46, Glenwood 15.

Boys' lineup:

Pleasant Gardens 76

F-Bell 10

F-Henley 6

C-Guy 18

G-McNeill 8

G-T. Brooks 6

Subs: Pleasant Gardens 6, Foxx 8, W. Brooks,

J. Byrd 2, McMahan,

Glenwood: Morgan 1,

Burgin, Walker, Mash,

Half time score: Pleasant Gardens 38, Glenwood 1.

Referees: Griffin, G.

ANTON—Coming from behind in the final minutes of play, Pleasant Gardens basketballers captured a doubleheader from the NCSD here last night.

McPeters and Flossie McKinnis, with 20 and 18 points respectively, led the Pleasant Gardens to a hard-fought 44-43 victory over the NCSD lassies.

The boys game was likewise close with Pleasant Gardens winning by a 37-34 point margin. Billy Guy paced the Pleasant Gardens with 14 points. Following behind was Bruce Guy with 10 points.

McBride was tops for the boys with 19 counters.

Girls' Lineup:

Pleasant Gardens (44)

F-McKinnis (18)

C-Wiseman (6)

G-McPeters (20)

G-Rabb

G-Davis

G-McHone

Subs: PG—Throneburg, Queen, NCSD—Medin, Hope, Weaver.

Half time score: Pleasant Gardens 22-16

Boys' Lineup:

Pleasant Gardens (37)

F-Bell (14)

F-Hendley (3)

C-Guy (10)

G-McNeill (2)

G-Brooks (6)

Subs: PG—Queen, Foxx, NCSD—Patterson-F

(4) Brinkley-P

(19) McBride-C

(8) Smith-G

(3) Leonard-G

Both McDowell teams were leading their opponents at the halftime with the girls having a comfortable margin between the teams. The boys were a little hard-pressed with a 21-15 score.

Girls' Lineup:

46 Pleasant Gardens

Duckworth 3 12 McKinnis-F

6 Wiseman-F

McPeters-F

Rabb-G

Davis-G

G-B. Duckworth Throneburg-G

Subs: Causby 4, Mull, Smith 6,

Monney 7, Hull. Pleasant Gardens: Meredith 2, Witherow, Silvers 3,

Honor 3, Strader, Byrd, Queen, McHone.

Halftime score: Pleasant Gardens 42-30.

Boys' Lineup:

30 45 Pleasant Gardens

B. Huffman 14 13 Bell-F

Denton 7 2 Henley-F

Stroupe 10 Guy-C

Rayburn 1 4 McNeill-G

Poteat 7 4 Brooks-G

Subs: Franklin 1, Walker, Brown, Larrisey. Pleasant Gardens: Foxx 2, Queen, Byrd.

Halftime score: Pleasant Gardens

Basketball Journey Opening Thrillers

PG Basketball Teams To Be Strong Again

Boys Excel Despite Lack Of Vetrans

The Pleasant Gardens Boys' basketball team, which went to the finals of the State Class "A" championships last winter, is facing the coming campaign with a completely "new look" as all five of last year's starting members by gone.

Yet despite those who said that Pleasant Gardens stock would drop this year, Coach Colon Wright has put together a group of new players who will all again be strong in the county championship, and the recent 65 to 95 win over Greenwood is any indication.

The club this year is made up of eight, there not being a player more than six feet in height and most of them are considerably under that. In contrast last year's team had six-foot, seven-inch players. McCormick, and six-foot, four-inch Guy, a short but powerful player who specializes in the pivot jump shot, and can drive in all if crowded too close; Paul Brooks, who keeps the defense steady with his set shots, and Bill Hendley, who is an excellent driver. Guy hit on nine of eleven shots in the opening game against Greenwood, and looks to be the scorer-leader. Although only a 10th grader with two years of eligibility, Pleasant Gardens cops a fair from Salem High.

Standouts
The standouts so far seem to be Guy, a short but powerful player who specializes in the pivot jump shot, and can drive in all if crowded too close; Paul Brooks, who keeps the defense steady with his set shots, and Bill Hendley, who is an excellent driver. Guy hit on nine of eleven shots in the opening game against Greenwood, and looks to be the scorer-leader. Although only a 10th grader with two years of eligibility, Pleasant Gardens cops a fair from Salem High.

Pleasant Gardens rolled to a comparatively easy victory over Salem High here last night. The boys won the opener, 76-46. In the second game, Ellen McPeters blasted the boys with 43 points to lead Pleasant Gardens to a 20-10 lead for 20 to lead Salem.

Bell, Foxx and Guy turned in high scoring games for Pleasant Gardens.

Girls' Lineup:
Pleasant Gardens (46)
-F. Duckworth (3)
-McGhee (12)
-Shuttle (20)
-Green
-Buff
-B. Duckworth
Subs: Causby 4, Mull, Smith 6.
Hull Pleasant Gardens: McPeters, Silvers 3, Connor 3, Ward, Queen, McHone.
Halftime score: Pleasant Gardens 46, Salem 20.

Boys' Lineup:
Pleasant Gardens (40)
-B. Huffman (14)
-Denton (7)
-Stroupe
-Rayburn (1)
-Peters (7)
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Bud McKinnis to hawk rebounds.

Other Veterans

In addition to Guy, Paul Brooks and Bill Hendley, other standouts on this year's squad include veteran reserves Wayne Brooks, Bobby Queen, Roger Byrd, Tommy Hendley, Charles McMahan, and Tommy Byrd. Newcomers include Paul Foxx, Bruce McNeill, and Glenn Morgan.

Coach Wright's boys will have a tough time, however, coming up against the set by last year's club which won 23 of 26 games, and won the finals of the State "A" tournament where it closed 64 to 60 decision to the five of those starters from the Northern Carolina Teachers College. McCormick is currently with the varsity, while the other four are bidding for varsity positions.

P.G. Gets Dual Win Over NCSL Drexel

The Pleasant Gardens cagers capped a dual win from NCSL Monday night at Morganton. The girls took the opening tilt 44-37 and the boys came through with a 37-34 victory in the second game. Both teams made it a Frank McCormick well finish by coming from behind in the final minute to win.

Ellen Peters and Glossie McCormick were high scorers for the Pleasant Gardens girls with 20 and 19 respectively. Billy Bell and Bruce Guy were second high scorers for the boys with 10 and 9 respectively. McBride was top scorer for the boys with 19 points tallied.

PG—Throneburg, Queen, Weedin, Hope, Weaver.
Halftime score: Pleasant Gardens 44, NCSL 37.

Boys' Lineup:
Pleasant Gardens 37
-F. Duckworth 14
-Hendley 3
-C. Neill 10
-G. Neill 2
-G. Neill 6
NCSL 43
-Patterson-F 11
-McLain-F 11
-Bledsoe-F 10
-Jones-G 10
-Daniels-G 10
-Simmons-G 10

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NCSL 34
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-McLain-F 11
-Bledsoe-F 10
-Jones-G 10
-Daniels-G 10
-Simmons-G 10

Girls' Team
The Pleasant Garden girls this year will be paced by Ann McKinnis and Ellen at forwards, and Jo Ann guard. Other leading include Ina Connor and Meredith. Withrow, McHone, Young, and Mel S. guards. The positions are Barbara and Fran. The Dec.

McKinnis led the girls with 20 points. Neely was second with 17. Davis turned in a game under the basket. Rabb came through in the half with 10 rebounds to Coach Wright warned taking Friday night's game as an indication of what the do in future games and that the game was Dr. for the season. He added that his team will give the best of itself this season. Teams play now night.

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-Bledsoe-F 10
-Jones-G 10
-Daniels-G 10
-Simmons-G 10

Bruce Guy was the high scorer for the local boys with 18 points. Bill Hendley who scored 9 was also praised for purloining the ball, time after time to the wilderment of the opposition. He also did an outstanding job of rebounds, taking five during the game. Credit was given to Billy Bell for his adeptness at clearing rebounds (5) and to substitute Foxx who is surely working his way toward a starting position on the team.

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-Daniels-G 10
-Simmons-G 10





1. Why didn't somebody TELL me about this swimmin' hole! 2. The poses they can think up. 3. Hey, good lookin'! 4. Statue of Liberty. 5. Note the expression on that knee. 6. Look before you leap! 7. Goin' somewhere? 8. She does it the hard way. 9. Watch the birdie. 10. Birds of a feather flock together. 11. It's good to keep a little nest-egg. 12. They must have left Glee Club early. 13. Greenies. 14. Have I seen you some place before? 15. Rat day.





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Dear Mrs. McGinsey
I sure hate to
write in your annual
because I know this
will be our last year
together. You have been
a wonderful friend
as well as teacher.
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forget you and Old P.
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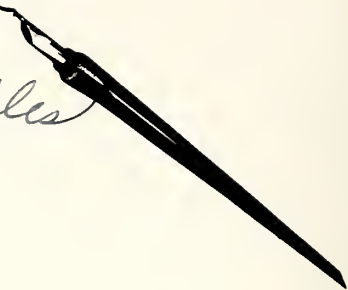


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Remember me
to

Pauline Fittles

Jeanette Jameson



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Dear Mrs. Mc Ginnery,
Honesty, I have really enjoyed
being in your classes and I
hope you have enjoyed it
as much as I have. You
have really made these
high school days interesting
and they have been about
I fun.

Thanks loads for all
you have done for me
and I hope I may be
a link in your chain
of many friends.

Remember me always
as one of your "meads
with students." Ha!

Loads of love
to a real nice
person.

"I" Mc Gill

(Funny Face)
Ha!

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